IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace page 4, lines 10-13 with the following amended paragraph:

Preferably a number of $n \geq 4$ holes are grouped in the far end of the nail within a distance x which is smaller than 2(n)(d), d being the diameter of the holes. More preferably the value for x is smaller than 1.5(n)(d). In another embodiment, the value for x may be smaller than 1.8(n)(d). In yet another embodiment, the value for x may be smaller than 1.4(n)(d).

Please replace page 7, lines 19-25 with the following amended paragraph:

The projection of the hole axis 6 of said through holes 3 in a plane orthogonal to said longitudinal axis 5 (or if the hole axis 6 - as shown in the figures - is lying already in an orthogonal plane, the hole axis itself) is such that at least two of said (projected) hole axes 6 are at an angle α greater than zero and less than 90° with respect to each other. In Fig. 2 the angle α is approximately 60°. In a first preferred embodiment, the angle α is $58° \leq \alpha \leq 62°$. In a second preferred embodiment, the angle α is $59° \leq \alpha \leq 61°$. In a third preferred embodiment, the angle α is $43° \leq \alpha \leq 47°$. In a fourth preferred embodiment, the angle α is $44° \leq \alpha \leq 46°$. In a fifth preferred embodiment, the angle α is $35° \leq \alpha \leq 37°$. In a sixth preferred embodiment, the angle α is $35.5° \leq \alpha \leq 36.5°$. In a seventh preferred embodiment, the angle α is $29° \leq \alpha \leq 31°$. In an eigth preferred embodiment, the angle α is $29.5° \leq \alpha \leq 30.5°$.